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Main Entry: **¹de-mand**

Pronunciation: di-'mand, -'m[a']nd, dE-

Function: *noun*

1 **a** : an act of demanding or asking especially with authority

b : something claimed as due

2 *archaic* : QUESTION

3 **a** : willingness and ability to purchase a commodity or

service **b** : the quantity of a commodity or service wanted at a specified price and time

4 **a** : a seeking or state of being sought after <in great *demand* as an entertainer> **b** : urgent need

5 : the requirement of work or of the expenditure of a resource <equal to the *demands* of the office> <oxygen *demand* for waste oxidation>

- **on demand** : upon presentation and request for payment

also : when requested or needed

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